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PLAYING DOUBLE.

Since the veto by Governor Wilson of the Beard bill, there has been an apparent lull in the vigor and intensity with which the fight was started in opposing the scheme of Montclair and East Orange to locate their sewage disposal plant in this town and Belleville.

During the movement of the Beard bill through the two Houses of the Legislature, the opposition to the Hinck-Pierson project was marked by an enthusiasm and unanimity that impressed the legislators with its earnestness and sincerity.

The governor's veto, however, appears to have a disintegrating influence upon the opposition. Some of the local members of the joint committee of Belleville, Nutley and local officials have made efforts to keep that committee in a state of lively action, but there has been no appreciative response to their efforts, and if certain members of the joint committee have been holding meetings they have not been of a character to keep alive the enthusiasm of the people and the public has not been kept posted as to what has been done and

is doing. On the other hand there has been no suffering from laxity in the pushing of the efforts-to carry to completion the plans for placing and operating the Imhoff sewage disposal plant on the site selected by the Montclair and East Orange promoters of the project. They have always refused to believe that the opposition to their scheme was anything else but a transient outburst of sentiment that would dissipate itself in time and proceeding on that theory they have continued with their plans and all the preliminaries and have now made their appeal to the State Board of Health for an approval of the plans for the Imhoff plant from a sanitary standpoint, and with that approval obtained, the

consent of the State Board of Health to the locating of the plant on the site selected despite any objections on the part of the council and Health Board officials of the three municipalities af-

The situation to-day in regard to this proposition to impose a nuisance upon this town, Belleville and Nutley is in a more serious and acute stage than at any previous period and there is now more imperative need than ever before of a unanimous and determined stand against the project.

Unfortunately for this town's position in the fight-while the vast majority of our citizens are honest and outspoken in their opposition—there is an element in our midst that either favors the Montclair-East Orange project or is inclined to temporize with its promoters.

Insofar as this town is concerned it cannot make a successful fight with a concealed compromising element in the community. It is time now that the men who are not in full accord with the majority of the people in this matter come out in the open so that the people can see who they are and what is to be expected from them.

The local Board of Trade, as was naturally proper, started in with commendable zeal and vigor to oppose the Imhoff project, but the people are at a loss to know just where the board stands. The Board of Trade has its own official organ styled "Bloomfield Board of Trade Bulletin." It is compiled and published by the board and speaks in an official way for the or-

In the issue of the Bulletin of the crurent month, there was published an appeal of the sewer committee of the board to East Orange, Orange and Montclair against locating their proposed sewage disposal plant here, and also much other matter leading to the inference that the board was still pursuing a consistent course in the fight, but editorially the Bulletin commits the Board of Trade to a line of policy that will be fatal to any contest or protest that this town may or can make against the Montclair and East Orange project and also makes it practically a waste of time, energy and money in making a fight.

Speaking officially for the Board of Trade, the Bulletin says: "We should be prepared * * * to consider promptly and intelligently a plan for a sewage disposal plant of our own, and a thorough investigation of the cost and installation and maintenance of an Imhotf or similar system should be made."

Through the medium of its official organ the Board of Trade has put in the hands of Messrs. Hinck and Pierson an argument that will practically mullify all that Bloomfield can say to the State

an Imhoff plant here. The general sentiment is that the made a serious blunder and has put the TO KEEP

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Notice of Imention.

Formal notice to the mayors and councils of Bloomfield, Belleville and Nutley, that a petition for the approval of the Imhoff sewage disposal project has been filed with the State Board of Health was sent Tuesday by Chairman Edward S. Pierson of the joint sewerage committee. In connection with this he made reply to the appeal sent out last week by this town against inflicting the nuisance of the disposal plant on this

municipality and Bellevile. Mr. Pierson assures the protestants that it is only necessity and not desire that leads Orange, East Orange and Montclair to seek outside means of sewage disposal. He adds that if the State Board of Health approves the plans, the joint committee does not propose to go ahead ruthlessly without regard for the rights or feelings of others.

Mr. Pierson expresses the wish that conference and negotiations with the offended parties should take the place of appeals to the court, which should only be the last resort. He assures them that the appeal sent last Saturday to Mayor Gregory of East Orange, simultaneously with the heads of the other two municipalities, will receive the utmost consideration.

The notice sent by Mr. Pierson reads

as follows: "Surveys, maps, plans and data in connection with the proposed sewage disposal plant of Orange, Montclair and East Orange, are now on file with the clerks of the respective municipalities and are open to your inspection. A petition to the State Board of Health has been presented to that body, and it is e and belief of the memquestion thus brought before that body will be settled entirely on the merits or demerits of the proposition.

"It is necessity and not desire that leads the three contracting municipalition to seek outside means of sewage disposal. Should the State Board of Health, after hearing your objections, decide in your favor, the matter will be ended as far as you are concerned, but should the decision be favorable to the proposers of the plan outlined the joint committee does not propose to go ruthlessly ahead without regard for the rights or feelings of others.

"I take this occasion to assure you in behalf of the joint committee that, should our plan be approved, we will be pleased to receive committees or delegations from any of the boards or governing bodies of our neighboring municipalities, and that we will give due and serious attention and consideration to their representations. Conference and negotiations with you should take the place of appeals to the courts, which should only be the last resort.

"I am informed that the mayor of East Orange has received a most reasonable and most courteous protest from our neighbors in Bloomfield and I assure you that a protest in such a tone will carry great weight and will receive the utmost consideration. This communication is addressed to you in line with our policy and promise to keep you informed of every step taken in this

mportant matter." Mayor Gregory of East Orange signed the resolution of the City Council, adopted Monday night, May 13, and Monday an exchange of copies of the resolution took place between the municipal clerks of Orange, East Orange and Montclair. The petition, with the maps and data of the engineers, was for-

warded to the State Board of Health. Mr. Pierson said this morning that the joint committee expects to hear in about a month from the State board, in the form of a notice of hearings for objections and advocacy of the disposal

School Exhibitions.

There was a physical training exhibition by pupils in the Glen Ridge Central School, in the assembly hall, Thursday night. A feature of the exhibition was folk-dancing. Several pupils were in costume. An evening entertainment by members of the school will be held May 20. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the High School Athletic Association, which lacks funds for the ball games.

Taft in Montclair To-night. William Howard Taft, the President of the United States, will be in Mont-Poard of Health against the locating of clair to-night. The President will come here as the guest of the William H. Taft Club of Montelair, and will speak at a meeting that will be conducted by that organization in the large auditorium of the Hillside Grammar School.

If your feet hurt you go to Dr. C. J. Neff, Surgeon Chiropodist, Trust Company building.—Advt. Board of Trade, through its organ, has a meeting that will be conducted by that

Board of Health.

The Board of Health held a special meeting Thursday night for the purpose of passing upon plumbers' bond which expire in the month of May, and for the purpose of acting on complaints about the condition of Railroad place and Charles street, made at a previous meeting of the board and which were duly investigated.

Mr. Gilbert called upon Acting Inspector Ellor for a report on Railroad place. Mr. Ellor told of his visit to that section with members of the board and found the premises very bad and in unsanitary condition and in some instances the buildings were very filthy and he recommended that sewer connections be made and a general cleaning up of the premises be ordered. Samples of the well water taken from wells there, he said, had been sent to Trenton, but no report of the analysis had yet been received. After considerable discussion as to the conditions and of the methods to be pursued in improving them, Mr. Gilbert moved that Mr. Van Wagoner be notified to put a sink in each apartment. Mr. Gilbert also moved that after thorough investigation by the board, that city water should be introduced in each and every apartment, and therefore ordered the same to be

Mr. Gilbert moved that Mr. Van Wagoner be instructed to provide toilets in the three last houses and Attorney Halfpenny was instructed to call upon Mr. Allen of the tenement house commission and request the commission to investigate the conditions in Railroad assistance in having this property put-

Mr. Charles moved that the inspector notify Mr. Van Wagoner to clean up all the premises in Railroad place and put the several properties in a sanitary condition within forty-eight hours, and if the notice was not complied with, the inspector should take the matter in hand and do the work, the board to pay the cost and charge it against the property.

The board's attorney, Mr. Halfpenny, reported that he had written to the State Board of Health and had received a reply assuring the board that a hearing would be given when application for the location of an Imhoff or other sewage disposal plant within the limits of the town.

Mr. Gilbert said that he had read in the newspapers that there had been a meeting of the joint committee of Bloomfield, Belleville and Nutley, but he, as a member of the committee, had received no notice of such meeting and as much as Mr. Thompson and Mr. Ritscher had received no notice, he thought independent action should be taken, and after some discussion Mr. Halfpenny was instructed to visit the State Board of Health's office at once and make full investigation and secure the information possible, as to what had been done about locating the Imhoff plant in this town.

The matter of an unlicensed midwife operating in the upper end of the town was reported by Mr. Ellor and Mr. Gilbert moved that the case be referred Mrs. Henry G. Cordley of Ridgewood to Dr. Wolfe for investigation and re- avenue is spending a week in Wash-

The inspector was ordered to see that an old cellar was filled and that two properties in the Silver Lake district be cleaned and put in a sanitary con-

the Charles street complaint that he had selaer. an old drain opened up which had allowed the surface water that had accumulated in properties there to run off. Mr. Gilbert was of the opinion that the unsanitary conditions in that section were worse than in Railroad place, and that the Town Council and road committee be notified by the inspector and request that immediate action be taken to remedy the conditions that now exist. A bill for \$13 was ordered paid, which

and running off the water. The Board authorized the employing of Ernest Morsh for the purpose of assisting the inspector in testing and ginally intended to make the borough passing upon certain plumbing work before the board.

The matter of disinfecting for ereysipeleas was referred to Dr. Wolfe to report upon at the next meeting. The plumbing system of the High School and the venting of some sinks in the laboratory was referred to Mr. Morsh to investigate and report at the

next meeting.

BASEBALL.

noon - Defeated Caldwell Saturday - Watsessing will Play Parkway Athletics.

The locals will stack up against one of their hardest propositions of the season when they play the strong Cuban

Stars at Morris Park this afternoon. The visiting club is composed of genuine Cuban players and is considered one of the best teams of its kind in the

country. The management of the Bloomfield Club has gone to considerable expense in getting this star attraction for to-day's game, and it is hoped that the people of the town who appreciate good ball will be there to root for the Bloomfield

boys. In the game last Saturday afternoon the Mountaineers went down to defeat in one of the best games of the season.

The rooters of the visiting club were in high glee in the early part of the game, and gave vent to their feelings by keeping up a continuous roar, but the tide usually turns, and it certainly

did last Saturday. The mighty Hipfel, with his deceptive shoots, was peaches and cream for our boys and his offerings were banged to every corner of the lot.

On the other hand, Kurfuss for Bloomfield, pitched a wonderful game, holding the visitors down to five hits and also fielding his position like a major

The batting of Lennon, Burdette. Egler and Wiley for Bloomfield was of a high order and a spectacular running catch by Egler brought the spectators to their feet.

The attendance was much better last Saturday than at the opening game and gave the management and players much

encouragement. Bloomfield— R	HE	Caldwell-	R	н	E
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Two-base hits — Hipfel, Lennon 2, Kelly, Egler 2, Wiley. Home run—Williams. Double plays—Lennon to Wiley, Kurfuss to Wiley. Bases on balls—Off Kurfuss 3. Struck out—By Kurfuss 4, by Hipfel 1. Umplre—Boutel-

The Watsessing Club will play the Parkway Athletic Club on the Locust avenue grounds. The two teams are about evenly matched, and an interesting contest is anticipated.

Glen Ridge Notes.

Edward S. Skilin of Woodland avenue returned Monday from a three weeks' trip to Porto Rico. Mrs. George W. Reynolds of Ridge-

wood avenue entertained at luncheon Thursday. Miss Marie Smith of Ridgewood aveue left Monday for Detroit to remain

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Newell of Boston have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence D. Newell, Jr., of Sher-

Mrs. Archibald Hart of Franklin place has gone to Chicago to visit her The last meeting for the season of the

Monday Afternoon Bridge Club was held at the home of Mrs. Thomas G. Smith of Ridgewood avenue.

Miss Margaret Anderson of New York, a pianist, was the guest of Miss Lucille Scheffler of Ridgewood ave-

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Messenger of New York were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Peirsel of Hillside avenue. Mrs. F. K. Pulsifer of Ridgewood avenue has gone to Chicago to remain a

Mrs. H. S. Wood of Hamilton road entertained the Readers' Five Hundred Club Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Freeman of Ridgewood avenue have returned from Atlantic City, where they spent a week. Mrs. Alfred L. Hinrichs and sons of Lincoln street, sailed Thursday for Europe to be gone six months.

Miss L. M. Freeman of Douglas road has gone to Norfolk, Conn., to spend a Mr. and Mrs. George A. Minasian of

Clark street have returned from a few days' stay at Atlantic City.

Those from Glen Ridge who will grad-

uate from the various colleges this spring are: Miss Mary Miller of Ridgewood avenue, from Vassar; Miss Margaret Wood of Hamilton road, Smith Mr. Ellor reported that in regard to and Arthur Moore of Clark street, Rens-

Borough Free Delivery.

After a fight that has been waged for two years by Glen Ridge for free mail delivery, Postmaster William R. Poe was notified Wednesday by Postoffice Inspector J. V. Holtby that the delivery system would go into effect July 1. Mr. Holtby went over the ground Wednesday and designated the locations for the boxes. The present postoffice

was the charge for opening the drain quarters in the Lackawanna station are to be enlarged at once and three carriers will be appointed. The postoffice authorities had ori-

a sub-station of Montclair, but this the members of the Civic and North End Associations, with Postmaster Poe, fought against and appealed to the New jersey representatives in Congress to aid them in defeating the plan. Investigation by inspectors showed the

postal receipts annually to be far beyond the \$10,000 mark, which enables a mnuicipality to have free delivery. At present about fifty houses within the borough are served from the Bloom-

field office, and this will be discontinued

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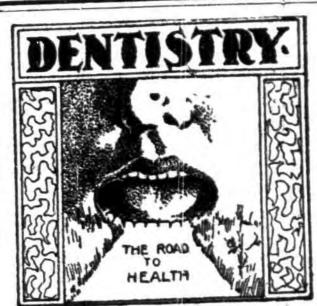
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